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1. At 1400 hours on 20 September two small Chinese Communist naval vessels were proceeding slowly ahead of a large naval ship near the light boat at inner T'ungsha (6894/3097). The first small vessel was between 500-600 tons and was armed with one gun on the stern and bow (see sketch C). The second vessel had only one gun on the bow (sketch B). The large ship had a narrow funnel and an oval type radar on the top of the mast. The ship was about 1,300 to 1,500 tons and was about 1½ times longer than the two smaller ships (sketch A).
2. At 1550 hours on 20 September a large landing craft, similar to those formerly owned by the Chao Shang Chu (2156/0794/1444) (CMSNC), was sighted at Hongkew. The craft was armed and she carried crated cargo on her decks (sketch D). 25X1
3. Between 20 and 22 September the following merchant ships were in Shanghai: 25X1
 - a. A 8,000-ton merchant ship owned by the China Navigation Company. This ship usually sails in European waters. 25X1
 - b. The HU NAN sailing out of Shanghai.
4. Market prices in Shanghai are increasing. Cooperative stores are hoarding merchandise and are refusing to sell items which move quickly. As a result of these actions, the private stores have followed suit. Authorities are making surprise searches and are arresting hoarders. 25X1
5. There is no rice rationing in Shanghai. Price quotations are available for any quality rice, but the better quality rice is not available. Yellow fish is in season but it is rumored that the government has purchased all supplies of yellow fish.

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6. On 19 September a 2,000-ton Chinese Communist naval ship which had been under repair at the Kiangnan Dockyard was moved out of the shipyard. A new type radar had been installed on the top of the front mast.
7. At the Kiangnan Dockyard number 1 dock a Chinese Communist naval ship of 1,500 tons was under repair. The ship had been towed to the dockyard on the morning of 17 September by three tugs. The ship had been slightly damaged as though hit by gunfire. The fresh water pipe and oil line had been damaged.
8. At the number 2 dock a naval vessel, converted from the CH'IU CHIN (4428/3866), is still under repair. She will be completed by the end of October.
9. At the number 3 dock, two naval ships are being built under the supervision of Soviet advisers. Each vessel is about 500 tons and is nearing completion. The armament for the vessel had arrived at the dockyard in boxes marked with Russian script. Below the Russian script were blurred Japanese characters. Some of the steel plates used in the construction of the ships were produced in England.
10. Landing craft are being constructed at two of the drydocks. Engines for these craft look like automobile engines and were received at the dockyard in crates. All docks at the Kiangnan Dockyard are operating day and night. All damaged ships will be repaired prior to the end of October.

Comment.

Vessels

under repair on this date were described as a 1,400-ton destroyer, the CHIU CHIN, and Yangtze river vessels. The construction of 100-ton landing craft was also reported.

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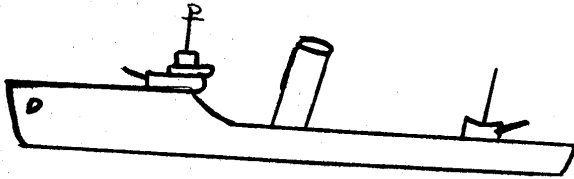
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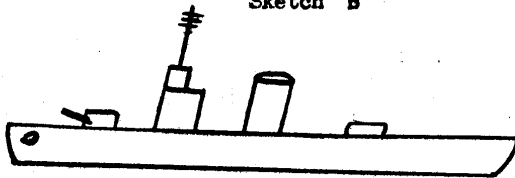
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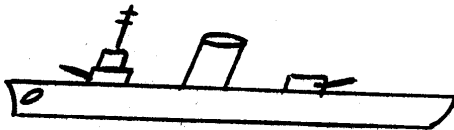
Sketch A



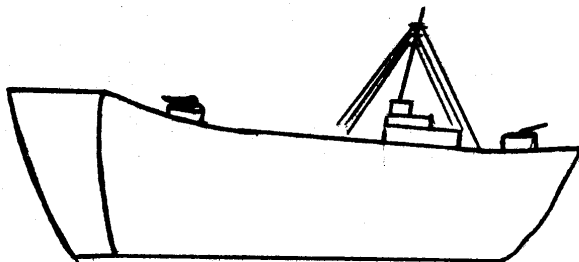
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Sketch C



Sketch D



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